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POWER OF ATTORNEY

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I, Richard Hamilton, Chief Financial Officer of CERES, INC. of 3007 Malibu Canyon Road, Malibu, California 90265, grant Power of Attorney and authority to empower the following attorneys to act on behalf of CERES, INC. for executing Verified Statements (Declarations) Claiming Small Entity Status to be submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the filing of provisional or regular patent applications on behalf of CERES, INC.

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By Richard Hamilton

Date 9/24/98